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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER HENRY A.)

SUBJ: NEGOTIATIONS

1. WE ARE SENDING THIS AT 0400. WE ARE HOLDING THE ISRAELI NEGOTIATING TEAM TOGETHER TO KEEP THEM FROM POSTPONING THEIR CABINET MEETING, WHICH IS SCHEDULED FOR 0830.

2. YOU SHOULD CALL FAHMY IMMEDIATELY AND EXPLAIN THAT MATTERS NOW STAND AS FOLLOWS:

A. IN ARTICLE I OF THE AGREEMENT, THEY ACCEPT FAHMY'S FORMULATION TO DROP " ONLY" AND CHANGE " WILL" TO SHALL."

B. THEY HAVE AGREED TO DROP PARAGRAPH 3 (E) OF THE ANNEX ON NAVIGATION IN THE GULF OF SUEZ AND TO WORK OUT AT GENEVA AN ARRANGEMENT FOR FLIGHTS ALONG THE MEDIAN LINE OF THE GULF OF SUEZ NOT MORE OFTEN THAN ONCE EVERY THREE DAYS. THIS IS AS AGREED AT MAAMURA.

C. IN PARAGRAPH 5 (A) (3) OF THE ANNEX THEY HAVE ACCEPTED 72 ARTILLERY PIECES AS WE DISCUSSED LAST EVENING.

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D. IN PARAGRAPH 5 (B) (2) OF THE ANNEX ISRAEL
ISSISTS ON TEN KILOMETERS.

E.ON THE QUESTION OF THE UNEF EXTENSION, THEY
HAVE ACCEPTED FAHMY'S VIEW THAT THE ONE-YEAR MANDATE
AND THE PRINCIPLE OF ANNUAL EXTENSION SHOULD BE SOUGHT NO
LATER THAN OCTOBER 24.

3. YOU SHOULD THEN TELL HEM THAT THERE IS ONE REMAINING
ISSUE ON WHICH I NEED HIS HELP URGENTLY. IN THE LETTER
ON THE UNEF DURATION, ALLON IS ADAMANTLY INSISTING ON
RETAINING THE WORDS "AT LEAST" IN THE SENTENCE THAT
READS: "HOWEVER, SHOULD THE SECURITY COUNCIL, BECAUSE
OF THE ACTION OF A THIRD STATE, FAIL TO RENEW THE
UNEF MANDATE TO ASSURE CONTINUOUS OPERATION, EGYPT
UNDERTAKES TO CONCERT ACTIVELY WITH THE U.S.
TO HAVE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TAKE APPROPRIATE
ACTION TO BRING ABOUT ANNUAL RENEWALS FOR AT LEAST
TWO RENEWALS AFTER THE FIRST ANNUAL MANDATE GOES INTO
EFFECT." THIS IS STRICTLY A QUESTION OF INTERNAL
CABINET POLITICS AND HE CLAIMS THIS IS CRUCIAL IN
WINNING CABINET AGREEMENT. IT MEANS NOTHING IN
SUBSTANCE SINCE IT BINDS EGYPT TO NOTHING MORE THAN IS
ALREADY AGREED. IF IT LEAKS, FAHMY CAN SAY AS MUCH.

4. PLEASE TELL FAHMY I URGE HIM STRONGLY TO SEE HIS
WAY CLEAR TO GIVE ME THE LATITUDE TO PUT THESE WORDS IN
THE LETTER. IF HE CAN, I BELIEVE THE AGREEMENT WILL
BE CONCLUDED TODAY; OTHERWISE, WE COULD LOSE ANOTHER
TWENTY-FOUR HOURS AND PERHAPS EVEN THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT
GIVEN THE PRESSURES THAT ARE MOUNTING HERE.

5. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF HE CAN RESPOND BY 0800
BEFORE THE CABINET MEETING HERE. PLEASE TELL HIM
THAT I DEEPLY APPRECIATE HIS STATESMANSHIP IN
MOVING THIS AGREEMENT TOWARD CONCLUSION OVER THE
PAST WEEK AND THAT I HOPE THIS WILL BRING IT TO
A SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION.
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